THE MINISTER OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAM JETHMALANI): (a) and (b) DDA, has reported that whenever new townships like Dwarka, Rohini, etc. are developed, the utilities like electricity, water supply, sewerage, drainage, etc. are provided after getting the proposals approved from local bodies. There are sometimes slippages in the targets fixed by the local bodies for providing the aforesaid amenities due to several constraints. Regular coordination meetings are held by DDA at all stages and at various levels with all concerned agencies for provision of basic amenities in these flats. However, in the absence of water supply and sewerage services by the MCD, interim arrangements are made by DDA through tubewells for water supply and through oxidation ponds for sewage disposal.

आर०के०पुरम के क्वार्टरों में सफेदी आदि

1683. **श्री गोपाल सिंह जी० सोलंकी:** क्या शहरी कार्य और रोजगार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या केन्द्रीय लोक निर्माण विभाग ने आर०के० पुरम के सैक्टर-4 में टाइप-II के क्वार्टरों में विगत दो वर्षों से सफेदी और रंगाई-पुताई का काम नहीं किया है;

(ख) क्या उक्त क्षेत्र के सरकारी क्वार्टरों की उपेक्षा की जा रही है; और वर्ष 1996-97 से नियमों का पालन नहीं किया जा रहा है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं और उक्त काम कब से शुरू किया जाएगा और कितनी अवधि में इसे पूरा कर लिया जाएगा और यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण है?

शहरी कार्य और रोजगार मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री बंडारू दत्तात्रेय): (क) जी नहीं।

(ख) और (ग) क्वार्टरों की सफेदी/रोगन और पेंट लगाने का कार्य अक्तूबर से और नए वर्ष की शुरूआत में किया जाता है। 1998-99 के दौरान कुल क्वार्टरों में यह कार्य पूरा नहीं किया जा सका क्योंकि ऐसे कार्यों के लिए ठेका रद्द करना पड़ा था और कार्य का निष्पादन न करने के लिए ठेकेदार के विरुद्ध कार्रवाई की गई। इन आवधिक मरम्मतों के कार्य को नवम्बर, 98 से फिर शुरू कर दिया गया है और मार्च 1999 तक इसके पूरा हो जाने की संभावना है।

Government's Commitment of two Million Housing Units

1684. **SHRI RAJNATH SINGH 'SURYA':** Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is committed to provide two million additional housing units in a year;

(b) if so, when does that year begin; and

(c) how timely construction of these houses would be ensured especially when the construction activity is a time consuming in India?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMNET (SHRI RAM JETHMALANI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) 1998-99.

(c) The National Agenda for Governance envisages construction of 20 lakh additional houses each year out of which 7 lakh would be in urban areas. Housing and Urban Development Corporation (HUDCO) has been assigned the task of financial assistance for 4 lakh urban houses and the other housing finance institutions regulated by National Housing Bank have been asked to provide finance for 1.25 lakh houses. The cooperative sector is also expected to construct one lakh houses. The bulk of the target has already been allocated.

Since housing is a State subject, actual construction is to be done by State agencies with active involvement of private sector, cooperatives, Non-Government Organisation and community based organisations.

The National Housing & Habitat Policy envisages use of technology for modernising housing sector to increase efficiency productively, energy efficiency & quentity. Use of prefabricated building compo-

tants is being encouraged through fiscal concessions.

In addition, Government is encouraging innovative technologies for production of flyash based blocks, bricks, ready mix concrete etc. for which fiscal concessions are being granted. A scheme relating to National Networks of Building Centre is in operation to provide training to the artisans in new technologies and to popularise cost effective & innovative technologies in construction. Some of the Building Centres have taken up construction work and production of building materials.

Repeal of Urban Land (Ceiling Regulation) Act 1976 will also pave way for release of more land and facilitate land assembly for the purpose of construction. The recent tax concession given for hous-

Construction of Dwelling Units in East Delhi

1685. SHRI RAJNATH SINGH 'SURYA': Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Growth Techno Project Ltd. has been allowed to construct some 5000 dwelling units in East Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any time schedule has been fixed for its completion; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAM JETHMALANI): (a) to (d) The DDA has reported that the Growth Techno Project Ltd. is not executing any housing project in East Delhi.

Urban Areas Suffering Lack of Sanitation and Drainage

1686. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to identify urban areas all over the country which suffer from lack of sanitation and drainage;

(b) whether any survey has been done on a detailed basis by Government; and

(c) if so, the number of badly affected areas in Himachal Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA): (a) No, Sir. Urban drainage/sanitation being a State subject, it is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments to provide for these facilities in their respective areas.

(b) No, Sir. No detailed survey has been done by the Central Government.

(c) Does not arise.

Misuse of public land

1687. SHRI GOPALSINGH G. SOLANKI: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that C-Block Park of Rehabilitation Ministry Employees Cooperative Group House Building Society Ltd., Shivalik, New Delhi, earmarked for the purpose of school is being used for other purposes of having cocktails/entertainment parties/marriages at the rate of Rs. 2,500 per function besides security of Rs. 3000;

(b) whether Government have granted the permission to misuse the plot;

(c) if not, the steps being taken against the management of the society for its lapse; and

(d) whether Government propose to restrict the society for the misuse of this park forthwith and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAM JETHMALANI): (a) As per inspection conducted by the office of Regis-